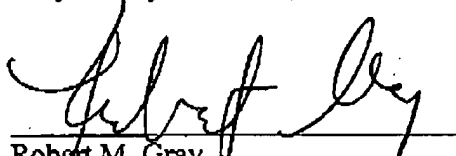


REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In an office action dated April 2, 2003, the Examiner rejected claims 1-12, 14-18, 20 and 21. The Examiner indicated the presence of allowable subject matter in claims 13 and 19. In response, claims 1 and 18 have incorporated the subject matter of claims 13 and 19, respectively. Also, claims 13 and 19 have been canceled. Reconsideration of the presently pending claims is respectfully requested.

Allowance of all pending claims is respectfully sought.

Respectfully submitted,



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